

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. ~~A method for connecting a call between a user and one or more parties in a~~  
telephone network, the method comprising:
- receiving, via a data network, event data associated with the user, the  
event data comprising information for connecting the call to the one  
or more parties and a time period for connecting the call;
  - storing the event data in a database; and
  - establishing the call between the user and the one or more parties via the  
telephone network based on the event data.
2. The method of claim 1, further comprising:
- updating the database to reflect changes in the event data.
3. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of establishing the call further  
comprises:
- determining based on the event data a telephone number associated with  
the user and a telephone number associated with the one or more  
parties; and
  - connecting the call between the user and the one or more parties via the  
telephone network based on the telephone numbers.
4. The method of claim 1, further comprising:
- determining that a current time is within the time period for connecting the  
call;
  - notifying the user that the call is about to take place; and
  - receiving confirmation from the user prior to establishing the call.

5. A method for connecting a call between a user and at least one party using an electronic calendar system having a capacity to record, the method comprising:
- establishing at least one event record corresponding to the call, the event record comprising user information and at least one telephone identifier;
  - associating the event record with an event time;
  - requesting an indication from the user, based on a current time and the event time; and
  - initiating the call, based on an affirmative indication from the user.
6. Apparatus for connecting a user and one or more parties in a telephone network in a system comprising a data network and the telephone network, the apparatus comprising:
- a receiver for receiving via the data network event data associated with the user;
  - a calendar system for storing event data comprising information for connecting with the one or more parties and a time period for connecting; and
  - a transmitter for connecting the user via the telephone network to the one or more parties based on the event data.
7. The apparatus of claim 6, wherein the calendar system to update the event data.

8. The apparatus of claim 6, wherein the transmitter is to determine based on the event data a telephone number for the user and a telephone number for the one or more parties.
9. The apparatus of claim 8, wherein the transmitter is to connect the user and the one or more parties via the telephone network based on the telephone numbers.
10. The apparatus of claim 6, wherein the transmitter is to determine that a current time is within the time period for connecting, notifying to the user that the event is about to take place, and receiving confirmation from the user to initiate the event.
11. A system including a data network and a telephone network for connecting a user and one or more parties, the system comprising:
- means for running a calendar application for receiving event data from the user via the data network and for storing the event data in a database, wherein the event data comprises information for connecting with the one or more parties and a time period for connecting; and
  - means for connecting the user and one or more parties based on event data.
12. The system of claim 11, further comprising:
- means for updating the database to reflect changes in the event data.
13. The system of claim 11, wherein the telephone network comprises:
- means for determining based on the event data a telephone number for the user and a telephone number for the one or more parties; and

means for connecting the user and the one or more parties via the  
telephone network based on the telephone numbers.

14. The system of claim 11, further comprising:

means for determining that a current time is within the time period for  
connecting;

means for notifying to the user that the event is about to take place; and

means for receiving confirmation from the user to initiate the event.

15. A computer readable medium comprising computer program code capable of  
configuring a user device to perform a method for connecting a call between a  
user and one or more parties in a telephone network, the method comprising:

receiving, via a data network, event data associated with the user, the  
event data comprising information for connecting the call to the one  
or more parties and a time period for connecting the call;

storing the event data in a database; and

establishing the call between the user and the one or more parties via the  
telephone network based on the event data.

16. A computer readable medium comprising computer program code capable of  
configuring a user device to perform a method for connecting a call between a  
user and at least one party using an electronic calendar system having a  
capacity to record, the method comprising:

establishing at least one event record corresponding to the call, the event  
record comprising user information and at least one telephone  
identifier;

associating the event record with an event time;  
requesting an indication from the user, based on a current time and the  
event time; and  
initiating the call, based on an affirmative indication from the user.

17. An event-based calling method, comprising:

storing in a database information associated with at least one service  
subscriber for initiating calls between the service subscriber and a  
plurality of parties, including at least a set of telephone numbers for  
the service subscriber and for each telephone number an  
associated period of time when the service subscriber is available  
for a call at that telephone number, and a set of telephone numbers  
for each of the plurality of parties and for each telephone number  
an associated period of time when the party is available for a call at  
that telephone number;  
receiving event information for the service subscriber via a data network,  
including a selection of one of the parties and a call time; and  
based on the call time of the event information, selecting from the  
database a telephone number for the service subscriber and a  
telephone for selected party, and initiating the call based on the call  
time using the selected telephone numbers.